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MEMBERS OF THE CHATHAM COUNCIL

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1962

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs. B. Grieveson, J.P.)

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman C. E. Harvey)

Alderman F.B. Semple, B.Sc. Alderman G.W. Pagett, M.A. Alderman I.S. Thomas Alderman R.L.W. Parsons Alderman A.G.C. Brown Councillor Mrs. M.T. Cox Councillor J.C. Buck Councillor T.H. Hill Councillor D.G. Atkinson Councillor J. Young

Councillor H. Cooper, M.B., B.S.

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Councillor Mrs. E.R.S. Aldam

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Councillor L. Matthews

Councillor J.W. Bowman

Councillor D.H. Elvv

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Councillor J.L. Brewster

Councillor R.A. Collacott, Ph.D., B.Sc.(Eng.),

A.M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.Mar.E.

Councillor J.R. Wraight, A.R.I.B.A.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

This consists of:

(A) Up to May, 1962

Chairman: Councillor Mrs. B. Grieveson, J.P. Vice Chairman: Councillor J. Young

The Mayor (Alderman C.E. Harvey, J.P.) (Ex-officio) The Deputy Mayor (Alderman J.S. Thomas) Alderman Semple Councillors Mrs. Cox, Cooper, Mrs. Aldam, Foster, Matthews, Bowman, Elvy and Brewster

(B) From May, 1962

Chairman: The Mayor (Councillor Mrs. B. Grieveson, J.P.) Vice Chairman: Councillor J. Young

> The Deputy Mayor (Alderman C.E. Harvey) Aldermen Semple and Thomas Councillors Mrs. Cox, Atkinson, Cooper, Foster, Matthews, Bowman, Elvy and Brewster

Staff of Public Health Department

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH:

(Combined appointment with City of Rochester and Strood R.D.C.)

L. F. McWILLIAMS, M.C., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

(also undertakes duty as Medical Referee, Medway Crematorium and Port Medical Officer, Rochester)

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH AND
ASSISTANT MEDICAL OFFICER KENT COUNTY COUNCIL:
(Combined appointment with City of Rochester and Strood R.D.C.)

R. G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

(also undertakes duty as Deputy Medical Referee,

Medway Crematorium and Deputy Port Medical Officer, Rochester)

Chief Public Health Inspector

THOMAS HOWARD, M.A.P.H.I., A.R.S.H. (a)(b)

Senior District Public Health Inspector:

A. E. R. SOUTH (a)(b)

District Public Health Inspectors:

B. LEWIS (a)(b) F. C. GAFFNEY, M.A.P.H.I., A. R.S.H. (a)(b)
A. J. MOORE, M.A.P.H.I. (a)(b)(c) J. E. GIBSON, M.A.P.H.I. (a)(b)(c)

Student Public Health Inspectors:

D. J. AINSLEY
D. T. SPRINGATE
(Commenced 27.9.1962)

Chief Clerk:

O. THOMAS

Clerks:

MRS. J. PARKER MRS. C. E. WALTHAM MISS B. MASTERS (Commenced 9.5.1962)

Other Employees:

Foreman and Rodent Operator - W. T. SOUTHERN

Van Driver - D. PEARSON

- (a) Public Health Inspector's Certificate
- (b) Meat Inspector's Certificate
- (c) Smoke Inspector's Certificate

Public Health Department,
"Riverside",
Globe Lane,
CHATHAM.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Chatham.

Your Worship, Mesdames and Gentlemen,

As a Sanitary Authority our main concern lies in trying to improve the living conditions of the community generally and taking specific action, when possible, to effect improvement of certain sections.

Air pollution can rightly be classed, in the light of present knowledge, as a general threat to community health and well-being, while the effects on health of those living under poor housing conditions may be more local. There are many more aspects to man's total environment than the home he lives in and the air that he breathes, but these two are likely to hold a prior place in all health department thinking and activity for the next decade or so, by which time the authority may be merged with its neighbours in a new administrative unit better suited to the modern concept of local government, and providing new opportunities and challenge in promoting the ultimate ideal of health as defined by the World Health Organisation - "Health is not merely the absence of disease or infirmity but a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being".

In this era of full employment, the environmental conditions of the place of work may relatively be a more potent influence on the state of health of the individual, than the home where he lives, and for this reason the anticipated legislation dealing with shops and offices is welcomed even though only affecting a small percentage of the working population.

HOUSING

Inspection and report on unfit property continued to be the priority task of the Public Health Inspectorate. The total of properties represented to the Council as unfit for human habitation was 72 in Clearance Areas with an additional 13 as individually unfit.

In association with other departments of the Council a review was instituted of the Council's programme for clearance of unfit houses in the Borough, which resulted in the 15 years' programme of approximately 100 houses per year for clearance, being telescoped into a 10-year phase.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 The Borough of Chatham (No.1) Smoke Control Order became operative on 1st November, 1962. Although only a small number of recently built properties (464 houses) in a few scattered areas were affected, this decision is an indication of the Council's resolve to control domestic smoke pollution in their district by a phased programme of additional Smoke Control Orders. The Borough of Chatham (No. 2) Smoke Control Order was confirmed by the Minister during August with the operative date one year later. This area comprises some 3,000 modern houses on the south side of the Borough and links

up with an adjoining zone in the City of Rochester.

Apart from a few individual objectors, who were satisfied after explanation, and withdrew their opposition, householders generally accepted the application for the Orders without comment.

A ten-year programme for the gradual extension of the whole of the area of the Borough was submitted to the Council and accepted in principle, but the implementation thereof is closely allied to the speed at which clearance of unfit houses is effected, since it would not be practical to require the installation of modern slow burning stoves in houses whose future use for living accommodation was limited to a few years.

PUBLIC TOILET FACILITIES

Chatham being the focal point of the Medway Towns, both as the main shopping area and the centre of many cultural activities, has a special responsibility for ensuring the adequacy and high standard of hygiene of public toilet facilities. For some years it has been evident that queuing at the central female toilets, particularly noticeable on Saturdays during the Summer, indicated inadequacy. In a joint report, in association with the Borough Surveyor, the Council was reminded that additional toilets in a central position for shoppers was a priority. Handwashing facilities should be available free of charge in all public toilets and the public encouraged to use them, by notice.

Vandalism, a constant feature in most of the toilets not under supervision, must not be allowed to defeat progress, particularly towards a 24-hour service at certain main traffic junctions.

In the Borough area at present there are 10 Male and 10 Female toilets, with 4 urinals. A further two are under construction.

The need for public toilet facilities on certain of the main housing estates also required review.

STATISTICS

POPULATION

49,520

The Registrar General's estimate was 90 less than the previous year's total - in fact, with slight variations, the total civilian population has remained static over the past 10 years.

TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS

1,066

This was an increase of 55 on the previous year and gave a corrected birth rate of 18.73 per 1,000 population, being slightly in excess of the rate for England and Wales of 18 per 1,000 population.

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS

61

This figure showed a drop of 14 on the previous year's total.

STILL BIRTHS

None of the still births were illegitimate and the still birth rate worked out at 17.51 per 1,000 total births (live and still).

DEATHS

The corrected death rate per 1,000 population was 9.79, being less than the rate for England and Wales of 11.9 per 1,000 population.

LONGEVITY

Two-thirds of all deaths occurred at age 65 or over and one was a centenarian.

MAIN CAUSES OF DEATH

Cardio Vascular Disease	49.4%
Cancer (all forms)	17.5%
Respiratory Disease (Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Influenza)	14.3%
Motor accidents	4
Suicide	7

VIOLENT DEATHS

Average age of those dying as the result of:-

All other accidents

Motor		All other
Accidents	Suicide	Accidents
52	47	56

15

Analysis of all other accident deaths showed that 6 occurred in or about the home which indicates the importance of accident prevention in the home.

TOTAL INFANT DEATHS

26

This was an increase of 8 on last year's total. Of the total, 16 died in the first week of life, while 9 were over 4 weeks of age but under 1 year at time of death.

The Infant Mortality Rate was 24.39 per 1,000 live births which was the highest rate for the past six years and compared unfavourably with the rate for England and Wales of 21.6 per 1,000 live births.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

MEASLES

Notifications rose sharply in the last quarter of the year.

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WHOOPING COUGH

31

The use of protective inoculation has, it would appear, materially reduced the incidence of this disease, although many further mild unnotified cases must occur.

DYSENTERY

33

An out break associated with a private day nursery was responsible for the majority of cases notified. The Council expressed their concern to the Supervising Authority on the provision of toilet facilities at the nursery which appeared inadequate and possibly facilitated the spread of infection.

POLIOMYFLITIS

Details of this case, which had a fatal outcome, was as follows:-

1

A child, aged 5 years, became ill on 6th October, 1962 and was admitted to Hospital the following day after she had developed bulbar palsy. Investigations were carried out at her home and faecal specimens were submitted for pathological examination. These specimens gave negative results.

The child died in Hospital on 12th October, 1962.

She had received three injections of Salk Vaccine and one Sabin Oral Vaccine.

Although this case was notified as Poliomyelitis on clinical grounds, polio virus was not isolated.

PARATYPHOID

Details are as follows:-

1

This was a 15-year old girl whose normal place of residence was in another Local Authority area. However, the diagnosis was made at a Chatham Hospital, to which she had been admitted, and the case was therefore notifiable to the Medical Officer of Health for Chatham under G.R.O. (Circular (M.O.H.) No. 1/1963.

TUBERCULOSIS

Three deaths were certified as due to or associated with Pulmonary Tuberculosis, two being reported for the first time after death. Twenty-seven primary notifications were received in respect of Pulmonary Tuberculosis. At the end of the year the total number of people on the Tuberculosis Register was 384, being 2 more than the figure at the same time last year. The main change in the Pulmonary Tuberculosis problem locally over the past 10 years has been the sharp fall in deaths from the disease, with little change in the overall incidence of infection.

SMALLPOX

Owing to the outbreak of the disease elsewhere in the country, all staff of the Public Health Department, Council Officers and their relatives, were offered vaccination. In addition, the staff of one Government Office dealing with large numbers of the local population requested vaccination and it was also considered advisable to offer vaccination to all known immigrants from Pakistan and India in the Borough. In all categories, a total of 470 vaccinations were carried out.

CARAVAN SITE,
ASH TREE LANE

Reference to this site was first made in the 1960 Annual Report. Originally the site housed 28 families, many using a variety of non-traditional caravans as housing accommodation and living under the most primitive conditions.

To the end of the period under review 18 families had been rehoused, 2 found other accommodation themselves and 1 person living alone died, leaving a further 7 to be dealt with in the years ahead.

FLUORIDATION OF WATER SUPPLIES (Prevention of Dental Caries) The Council decided to support this measure after taking note of all the evidence available. However, it is the duty of the Local Health Authority (Kent County Council) to take the ultimate decision and initiate action.

STAFF

Examinations:

Mr. Gibson, District Public Health Inspector, passed the Smoke Inspectors' Diploma of the Royal Society of Health.

Mr. Ainsley, Pupil Public Health Inspector, passed the Intermediate Examination of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board.

Staff establishment was increased by:-

1 Pupil Public Health Inspector

CONCLUSION

I acknowledge, with gratitude, the help and support of the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee during the past year and also all those who have aided in the preparation of this report.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

L. F. McWILLIAMS

Medical Officer of Health

SECTION A

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)		4,371
Number of inhabited houses on the Rate Books -		
Dwelling houses		14,662
Shops with living accommodation		388
Licensed premises, hotels, etc., with living accommodation	• • •	90
Rateable Value		£714,422
Product of penny rate (1961-62)		£2,885
(-)		22,009
EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS		
Registrar-General's estimate of resident population		
(Including forces stationed in the area)		49,520
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Total Births (Live and Still)		
М.	F.	Total
***	¥ •	10021
Live Births, Legitimate 508	497	
Illegitimate 27	34	
535	531	1,066
222		1,000
Still Births, Legitimate ··· 7	12	
Illegitimate ··· -	_	
-	_	
<u>7</u>	12	19
		1,085
Birth Rate		
Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated population (crude rate)		21.53
Corrected by comparability factor (0.87)		18.73
Still birth rate per 1,000 live and still births		17.51
Total Deaths		
All causes at all ages	* * *	490
Death Rate		
Death rate per 1,000 estimated population (crude rate)		9.89
Corrected by comparability factor (0.99)		9.79
Collected by Compalability factor (0.33)		7.17
Infant Mortality Rate		
Deaths of infants under 1 year of age		26
All infants per 1,000 live births		24.39

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA, continued

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS, continued

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate

Deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age	 	 		 16
Death rate per 1,000 live births	 	 	• • •	 15.01
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate				
Deaths of infants under 1 week of age	 	 		 15

The following table shows the average Birth, Death and Infant Mortality Rates for five yearly periods from 1910-1959 and Rates for the year 1960, 1961 and 1962 (crude):-

Period	Birth Rate per 1,000 of estimated population	Death Rate per 1,000 of estimated population	Infant Mortality per 1,000 births
1910 to 1914	 25,1	13.4	105
1915 to 1919	 22	18	97
1920 to 1924	 22.1	12.3	73
1925 to 1929	 19.53	12.96	73.2
1930 to 1934	 16.86	12.1	58
1935 to 1939	 16.01	12.02	53.48
1940 to 1944	 20,29	14.64	65.57
1945 to 1949	 22.55	14.97	36.24
1950 to 1954	 16.04	10.61	31.39
1955 to 1959	 18.30	9.48	20.14
1960	 20.37	9.24	20.25
1961	 20.38	10.38	17.80
1962	 21.53	9.89	24.39

The following table shows the percentage of deaths occurring at different age groups:

Under	1 and	5 and	15 and	25 and	45 and	65 and over
1 year	under 5	under 15	under 25	under 45	under 65	
5.3.	0.2	0.4	0.8	3.7	23.9	65.7

Deaths of persons aged 65 years and over:-

Age	М.	F.
65 - 69	45	23
70 - 74	33	34
75 - 79	40	28
80 - 84	33	31
85 - 89	20	22
90 - 94	3	7
95 - 100	1	1
100	-	1
TOTAL	175	147

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The following table shows the causes of infantile deaths in relation to age.

Disease	(a) Under 12 hours	(b) 13-24 hours	(c) 2-7 days	(d) 8-28 days	(e) Over 28 days	(f) Total
1. Congential						
Malformation	2	-	-	-	4	6
2. Atelectasis	2	-	•	-	-	2
3. Prematurity	3	4	2	-	-	9
4. Pneumonia	-	-	1	-	1	2
5. Bronchitis	-	-	-	1	2	3
6. Other Causes	1	1	-	-	2	4
TOTAL .	8	5	3	1	9	26

The following table shows the average increases in population in five yearly periods since 1922 and the year 1962.

Period	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Natural increase per 1,000 Population
1922-1926	20.72	12,2	8.52
1927-1931	18.72	13.02	5•7
1932-1936	15.92	11.68	4.24
1937-1941	17.37	13.42	3.95
1942 -1 946	21.59	13.84	7.75
1947-1951	19.85	12.1	7.75
1952 -1 956	16.35	9.88	6.47
1957-1961	19.76	9+59	10.17
1962	21.53	9,89	11.64

	Chatham M.B.		
	Causes of Death	М.	F.
	All Causes	275	215
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	1
2.	Tuberculosis, other	-	-
3.	Syphilitic disease	1	-
4.	Diphtheria	-	· -
5.	Whooping cough	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infections	•	-
7.	Acute poliomyelitis	-	1
8.	Measles	-	-
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	1
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	11	4
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	20	4
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	3
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic		
	neoplasms	25	17
15.	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	•	1
16.	Diabetes	2	2
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system	22	34
18.	Coronary disease, angina	62	33
19.	Hypertensions with heart disease	3	7
20.	Other heart disease	29	34
21.	Other circulatory disease	7	11
22.	Influenza	1	1
23.	Pneumonia	27	16
24.	Bronchitis	16	9
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	3	2
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	7	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	1
28.	Nephrosis and A ephrosis	1	1
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	_	-
31.	Congenital malformations	2	5
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	17	12
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	2	2
34.	All other accidents	8	7
35.	Suicide	4	3
36.	Homicide and operations of war	- 1	-
		1	

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

(a) Notifiable Diseases (Other than "uberculosis) during the year 1962

Diseases	Total Cases Notified	Treated in Hospital
Scarlet Fever	9	
Pneumonia (Primary or		
Influenzal)	6	
Puerperal Pyrexia	5	•
Measles	238	•
Whooping Cough	31	•
Dysentery	33	
Food Poisoning	4	2
Meningococcal Infection	1	1
Acute Poliomyelitis (P)	1	1
Paratyphoid Fever	1	1

(b) Notifiable Diseases (Ages)

	Whooping Cough	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Pneumonia	Puerperal Pyrexia	Mening ococcal Infection	Food Poisoning	Acute Policmyelitis(P)	Dysentery	Paratyphold Fever
Under 1	3	5	-	-	-	-	•	-	1	-
1 - 2	2	62	-	-	-	1	-	-	7	-
3 - 4	7	66	4	1	-	-	-	-	7	-
5 - 10	16	102	4	-	-	-	-	1	8	•
11 - 15	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	•
16 - 20	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	1
21 - 25	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-
26 - 35	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	4	-
36 - 45	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-
46 - 65	-	-	-	2	-	•	1	-	1	-
66 up	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	31	238	9	6	5	1	4	1	33	1

(c) Notifiable Diseases (Wards)

St. Mary's	1	18	ц	-	_	_			3	
St. John's	7	53	2	2	1	-	-	1	1	•
St. Michael's	_	50	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	
St. Paul's	-	34	-	-	1	1	2	-	9	1
Luton	21	45	2	3	2	-	1	-	15	-
Christchurch	2	38	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	•
TOTALS	31	238	9	6	5	1	4	1	33	1

(d) Notifiable Diseases (By Months of Year)

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January	-	۲			_					_
February	-	-	1	1	-	-	•	•	-	•
March	-	-	-	2	-	•	1	-	-	-
April	-	2	-	-	•	1	-	-	8	-
May	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	•
June	-	- '	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	•
July	1	6	3	-	1	•	-	-	-	1
August	-	14	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	•
September	11	11	1	1	1	-	2	-	12	•
October	4	43	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-
November	3	41	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
December	12	119	-	2	-	-	-	•	9	-
TOTALS	31	238	9	6	5	1	ц.	1	3 3	1

Year	1	Measles	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Typhold and Paratyphold Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Erysipelas	Malaria	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Pneumonia	Meningococcal Infection	Acute Poliomyelitis	Acute Encephalitis	Dysentery	Food Polsoning
193				58	26	2	6	11	-	1	20	-	1	-	-	-
193				149	11	16	4	11	-	4	21	6	-	-	-	-
193				146	25	2	1	10	-	2	29	2	-	-	-	-
193				114	31	1	2	17	-	2	19	-	-	-	-	-
193	35			44	22	2	2	17	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-
193				40	25	-	1	21	-	4	20	1	-	-	-	-
193				160	261	-	9	28	-	3	14	-	4	-	-	-
193				233	208	4	4	19	-	2	23	-	-	-	-	-
193		70	,,	61	86	-	7 8	10	-	1	19	1	-	-	-	-
1		79	12	20	13	-	0	14	-	4	22	2	-	-	-	-
194		413	120	20	4	12	9	4	-	4	12	5	-	-	-	-
194		417	219	38	8	-	16	7	-	5	32	6	1	-	-	-
194		412	91	124	16		12	17	-	-	44	-	-	-	-	-
194		201	182	48	12	1	18	18	2	3	29	3	-	-	4	-
194		446	111	52	. 9	1	23	16	-	1	34	1	3	1	1	-
194		568	52	26	2	-	4	16	5	-	27	2	1	-	-	-
194		189	179	22	7	1	7	11	-	-	20	1	2	-	1	-
194		723	171	8	-	-	9	15	-	1	24	3	2	1	-	-
194		34	189	35 95	-	-	8	8	-	-	19	-	2	-	1	-
195	0	567	137	85	-	-	9	20	-	-	28	1	1	-	20	-
195		1183	396	57	-	-	18	4	-	1	62	-	-	2	46	3
195		325	253	100	-	2	68	11	-	2	43	2	4	1	1	6
195		880	205	31	-	-	101	9	1	1	49	1	7	-	33	3
195		13 844	174	51	-	-	68 64	4	-	1	22	1	1	-	152	120
195			173	20	-	-	04	3	•	2	21	2	2(P)	1	1	8
195	56	7	82	13	-	4	50	4	-	2	19	-	2(P)	-	20	47
195	57	1588	151	18	-	-	41	1	-	-	36	-	1(NP) 9(P)	-	-	7
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195	- 1	30 879	106	189	-	- 4	8	3	-	- 1	37	-	2(P)	-	33	11
195		256	41	70 38	-	4	12 9	3 4	-	1	3C 12	- 1	•	-	22	53
196		1183	45	. 6	-		6	4		_	11	Т	- 1(P)	1	202 7	1
196		238	31	. 9		1	5	_		_	6	1	1(P)	_	33	4
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The following information, relating to Immunisation and Vaccination, is given through the courtesy of the County Medical Officer, Kent County Council:-

(A) DIPHTHERIA AND WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION

Year of	_	a Immunisation in combination)	Whooping Cough Immunisation (Singly or in combination)
Birth	Primary	Reinforcing	Primary
1962	340	-	334
1961	422	3	420
1960	17	157	17
1959	14	57	12
1958	18	32	11
1953-1957	28	260	14
1948-1952	2	9	3
TOTAL	841	518	811

(B) POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

Year	2nd Injections (Salk)	3rd Dose (Salk and Oral)	4th Dose (Salk and Oral)	3 Orals (Complete course)
1962	1	3	•	89
1961	25	167	•	291
1957 - 1960	137	568	-	115
1943 - 1956	25	297	423	61
1933 - 1942	33	256	•	- 66
Others	46	635	•	100
TOTAL	267	1926	423	722

(C) SMALLPOX VACCINATION

Age at Date of Vaccination	Number Vaccinated	Number re-vaccinated			
Under 1	660	-			
1	112	•			
2 to 4	223	27			
5 to 14	370	228			
15 or Over	315	600			
TOTAL	1680	855			

Food Poisoning

1. Outbreaks

Total No.	of cases	1 1
No. of cases	Otherwise ascertained	a a
No. o.	Notified	l t
breaks	Other outbreaks	e a
No. of outbreaks	Family outbreaks	1 1
		Agent 1dent1f1ed Agent not 1dent1f1ed

2. Single Cases

Total No.	of cases	₽	1
cases	Otherwise ascertained	1	1
No. of cases	Notified	Salmonella Van Binns - 1 Salmonella Heidiberg - 1 Salmonella Oranienberg - 1 Salmonella Typhi Murium - 1	1
		Agent ldentifled	Agent not identified

Scables Treatment

Arrangements can be made through the Public Health Department, Chatham, (Telephone 44751/5).

Clean Food Campaign

Continued attention was given to maintaining and improving the standard of hygiene in food and food preparing premises throughout the Borough. Lectures were given to various organisations.

Venereal Disease

The treatment centre for the Medway Area is situated at 36 New Road, Rochester. I am indebted to Dr. C. D. Routh, Director, for the following particulars:-

New Patients - Chatham	Male	Female	Total								
Syphilis	7	1	8								
Gonorrhoea	40	16	56								
Other Conditions	70	27	97								
	117	44	161								
Total number of new patients	Total number of new patients from all districts served 529										
Total attendances of Chatham]	patients		857								
Total attendances of patients	from all										
districts served			3105								
Discharges (all districts)											
Discharged Cured:-											
Syphilis			8								
Gonorrhoea			76								
Other Conditions			272								
Defaulted Before Final Tests	of Cure (Chatham Area	<u>.</u>)								
Combilia			3								
Syphilis	••		10								
Gonorrhoea	••	• •									
Other Conditions	••	• •	3								

Venereal Disease, continued

The following table shows the number of cases from Chatham since 1953:-

	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Gonorrhoea	15	9	10	14	19	23	30	40	20	56
Syphilis	8	10	5	13	11	11	4	7	5	8
Chancroid	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Conditions	45	50	40	57	52	50	72	80	79	97

Notification of Tuberculosis

Pι	11	m	01	na	ry	

Primary Notifications			 		27
Private Practitioners	5		 	-	
Hospitals			 	7	
Chest Physician			 	20	
Transferred from other	distri	lcts	 		20
Reinstated Cases			 		4

Non-Pulmonary

Primary Notifications						5
Frimary Notifications	• •	• •	• •	• •		フ
Private Practitioners	;				-	
Hospitals					2	
Chest Physician					3	
Transferred from other	distri	.cts				1
Reinstated Cases						-

Delay in Notification

Tuberculosis was reported as the cause of death in two instances - the persons not having been notified during life as suffering from the disease.

I am indebted to Dr. S. Roy C. Price, Chest Physician, for the following information:-

Particulars of patients from the Chatham Area who attended at the Chest Clinic, Rochester, during the year 1962:-

Puln	nonary	Non-Pu	lmonary
Adults	Children	Adults	Children
M. F.	M. F.	м. г.	M. F.
25 14	1 2	2 3	1 1

Number of patients dealt with who were found to be non-T.B. 803

Total Attendances - 1649

Number of patients admitted to Hospital - 26

TABLE SHOWING NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1962

		New Ca	ases		Deaths				
Age Group	Pulm	onary		on- onary	Pulmo	nary	Pulmo		
	М.	F.	м.	F.	м.	F.	М.	F.	
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1 - 5 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
6 - 15 years	1	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	
16 - 25 years	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
26 - 35 years	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	
36 - 45 years	2	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	
46 - 65 years	5	3	-	-	2	1	-	-	
66 years up	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	
Age Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS	16	11	2	3	2	1	-	1	

REGISTERED CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER IN EACH YEAR:-

Year	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total	Deaths
1946	245	88	333	37
1947	259	102	361	34
1948	266	56	322	38
1949	291	72	363	30
1950	308	72	380	22
1951	322	69	391	20
1952	352	68	420	25
1953	392	70	462	8
1954	398	59	457	18
1955	410	58	468	6
1956	409	60	469	9
1957	407	53	460	7
1958	397	49	446	-
1959	406	47	453	3
1960	389	51	440	7
1961	382	54	436	6
1962	384	56	440	4

Average number of Notifications, Deaths and Rates in 5 yearly periods from 1935-1959 and the years 1960, 1961 and 1962:-

	Death Rate	Per 1,000 persons 11ving	69*	1.09	06.	.38	.10	.14	.12	80.
18	Deaths		31	39	36	19	2	7	9	t
Totals	Notifi- cation Rate	Per 1,000 persons 11ving	1.27	2.10	2.15	1.70	.93	•53	.83	.65
	Notifi- cations		57	75	98	85	<i>L</i> ħ	27	14	32
osts	Death Rate	Per 1,000 persons 11ving	70.	.17	.10	-02	0.	8	• 05	• 02
Tubercul	Deaths		5	9	.	г		•	н	н
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Notifi- cation Rate	Per 1,000 persons living	.27	.34	.38	.20	80.	90.	90•	.10
Non-P	Notifi- cations		12	12	15	10	. 	М	٣	5
l s	Death Rate	Per 1,000 persons 11ving	.62	.92	.80	.36	.10	,14	.10	90.
berculos	Deaths		28	33	32	18	ī	_	2	8
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Notifi- cation Rate	Per 1,000 persons 11ving	1.00	1.76	1.78	1.50	.85	L#.	77.	•55
Pul	Notifi- cations		45	63	17	75	43	ħ2	38	27
	Population		267 , 44	35,752	39,932	960,096	50,436	50,910	019,64	49,520
	Year		1935-1939	1940-1944	1945-1949	1950-1954	1955-1959	, 1960	1961	1962

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Rainfall during 1962.

I am indebted to A.A. Chapman, Esq., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.W.E., for the following figures taken at the Luton Pumping Station:-

January	Total	depth	in	inches	2.36
February	11	U	11	11	0.45
March	tt .	11	11	11	1.88
April	tt	11	11	Ħ	1.66
May	11	11	11	11	1.76
June	11	11	11	11	0.22
July	11	11	11	Ħ	1.74
August	11	11	11	11	1.53
September	11	11	11	11	2.36
October	11	11	11	11	1.40
November	11	11	11	11	2.78
December	11	11	11	11	2.06
	TOTAL				20.20

Water

Supply is by the Medway Water Board and has been satisfactory both in quality and quantity. Thirty-four samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination, each of which showed a good result. Chlorination is still carried out.

Premises with internal mains supply 15,133.

Five properties are supplied by menas other than mains. In addition, there are two standpipes.

Drainage, Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

The number of houses connected to the public sewer during the year was:-

New Houses:Corporation

Corporation Pr	operty				84
Private			٠		129
Existing Houses		• •	• •	• •	41
Total connected	during	year			254

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION OBSERVATIONS - CHATHAM AND ROCHESTER

ALL SAINTS HOSPITAL

							Monthly Deposi	t in Ton	Monthly Deposit in Tons Per Square Mile	11e			
	Rainfall	Mean	Prevailing				Water 1	Water Insoluble Matter	Matter	Wat	Water Soluble Matter	tter	Milligrammes 30 per 100
Month	Month . Inches	Rain Fall	Wind	Insoluble Deposit	Soluble	Total	Soluble in Carbon Bisulphide	Ash	Other Combustible Matter	Cal c1 um	Chlorides	Sulphates	3 sq.cms. Lead Peroxide
January	2.36	2.51	M. o	9.88	11.47	21.35	0.20	76.9	17.2	1.63	2,32	3.11	ተቱ" [
Pebruary	0.45	0.51	N.K.	7.65	1.64	15.29	0.19	5.61	1.85	1.58	1.23	2.35	
March	1.88	1.685	N.K.	7.45	7.76	15.21	0.13	5.14	2,19	1.57	98.0	2.99	1.99
Apr11	1.66	1.515	N.E	8.20	5.83	14.03	0.18	5.56	2.46	1.38	0.89	2.20	1.33
May	1.76	1.755	S.W.	9.24	9.01	18.25	11.0	3.66	9**6	1.96	96.0	2.87	0.92
June	1.76	0.21	S.W.	12.51	6.58	19.09	0.08	62.6	2.64	47.0	1.74	1.19	0.63
July	1.74	1.835	S.E.	11.67	8.28	19.95	0.20	96.9	4.51	1.54	1.03	1.89	0.39
August	1.53	1.40	S.W.	90.7	00*9	13.06	0.10	4.68	2.29	96.0	09.0	1.90	0*#2
September	2,36	2.43	S.W.	4.35	7.16	11.51	0.05	2.88	1.43	1.23	1.03	1.73	0.58
October	1.40	1.535	S.W.	5.80	6.73	12.53	0.11	3.88	1.82	1.39	95.0	2.55	1,18
November	2.78	2.475	N.E.	2.87	6.89	9.76	0.08	1.81	86.0	66.0	1.46	2,66	1.57
December	2.06	5.09	N.E.	5.70	7.16	12,86	0.30	3.71	1.68	1.26	66.0	2.76	2.17

FORT PITT SCHOOL

1.34		1.62	1,22	0.81	09*0	0.50	0.28	0.61	1.04	1.49	2.03
3.63	3.14	19.4	3.27	5.82	1.79	2.95	1.97	2.69	4.21	5.04	3.47
1.72	1.23	0.80	0.83	96.0	0.30	09.0	04.0	0.63	0.80	1.33	66.0
1.87	1.84	3.40	2.41	4.82	1.22	3.42	2.07	2,26	3,31	2.85	1.85
1.82	1.15	2,41	1.68	7.95	2.60	2,31	1.15	1.45	2.04	2,10	1,12
3.37	3.40	6.13	5.86	14.10	5.83	9.15	4.34	4.99	8.65	5.37	2.93
#O*O	0.10	0.12	0.11	90.0	90.0	0.11	0.08	0.12	0.15	0.05	90.0
14.92	13.70	21.48	17.58	36.06	13.42	23.37	14.62	15.64	24.35	19.85	10.45
89.6	9.05	12.93	9.93	13.95	ħ6°ħ	11.80	9.05	80.6	13.52	12.33	6.33
5.24	14.65	8.55	0.11	22.11	8,48	11.57	5.57	95.9	10.83	7.52	4.12
S.W.	N.W.	N.W.	N.E.	S.W.	S.W.	S.E.	S.W.	S.W.	S.W.	N.E.	N.E.
2.51	0.51	1.685	1.515	1.755	0.21	1.835	1.40	2.43	1.535	2.475	2.09
2.36	0.45	1.88	1.66	1.76	1.76	1.74	1.53	2.36	1.40	2.78	2.06
January	Pebruary	March	April April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December

STROOD CEMETERY

1.21		1,65	1,18	99.0	0,63	0.57	Lπ*0	0.77	1,17	1,56	2.04
3.30	2.55	3.70	3.60	10° ti	29°2	2.67	3.39	3.86	5.27	4.99	4.28
1.92	0.83	0.80	06.0	0.80	0.45	99*0	0.73	99*0	1.56	1.13	1.09
2,38	1.80	2.83	2.69	3.30	1.94	3.03	2.47	2.81	5.43	3.26	2.30
3.37	0.83	1.62	1.60	5.56	4.92	1.99	2,14	1,48	1.78	1.32	1.35
η**36	5.66	4.77	5.92	₹9.6	10.11	5.74	#9°#	4.63	5.77	4.31	3.46
0.12	20.0	0.07	90.0	0.08	0.08	60*0	90.0	20.0	Lo*0	0.02	0.05
20.51	11,04	17.56	17.12	23.38	23.06	20.81	16.45	17.11	25.25	18.91	14.01
12.66	7.49	11.10	9.54	12,10	7.95	12,99	9.61	10.94	17.63	13.26	9.15
7.85	3.55	94.9	7.58	11.28	15,11	7.82	±8°9	6.17	7.62	5.65	98∙₁
S.W.	N.W.	N.K.	N.E.	S.W.	S.W.	S.E.	3.4.	S.W.	S.W.	N.E.	N.E.
2.51	0.51	1.685	1.515	1.755	0.21	1.835	1.40	2.43	1.535	2.475	2.09
2,66	0.57	1.49	1.37	1.75	1.75	1.93	1.27	2.50	1.67	2.17	2.12
January	Pebruary	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1962

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Chatham.

Your Worship, Mesdames and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report on the work of the Public Health Department for the year 1962.

Restaurant Kitchens: Routine inspections carried out show a general improvement. With the erection of new establishments and the re-building of others, modernisation of staff canteens has been carried out. Three snack bar cafes which were included in Clearance Areas have now been closed and awaiting demolition.

Houses in Multiple Occupation: A survey of properties in the Borough has been carried out, using the Electoral Roll as a guide. Where different surnames of occupants was shown, the property was visited. In this way a complete list of houses in multiple occupation was made and such properties are being inspected to ascertain whether they fall short of the standard conditions adopted by the Council.

Clean Air Act, 1956: The Council's second Smoke Control Order comes into operation on 1st September, 1963. This area of approximately 3,000 houses is composed of pre and post 1956 properties and includes approximately 1,150 Council owned houses. It is interesting to note that in the first Smoke Control Area, only 11% of the householders entitled to a grant made application for it.

Food and Drugs: The complaints of foreign bodies being found in all classes of food continue to rise. Details can be found on pages 32 and 33. It will be seen that out of 11 cases where legal proceedings were instituted, 10 were proved, the other case being dismissed.

Foul Sewers: The extension of the foul sewers to the Lordswood Lane area has provided facilities for some 50 houses to be disconnected from leaking cesspools. This extension will also be available for any future housing development in the area.

I would like to record my appreciation of the assistance and co-operation I have had from all members of the Staff and from my colleagues in other Departments.

Yours obediently,

THOS. HOWARD

Chief Public Health Inspector

Public Health Department, CHATHAM. 22nd July, 1963.

HOUSING

(i)	Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the Year.			
(a)	1. Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing	defects		
	(under Public Health or Housing Acts)	• •		965
	2. Number of inspections made for the purpose	• •	• •	2,646
(b)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (i) abo	ve) which	h	
	were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidat	ed		
	Regulations, 1925 and 1932	••	• •	324
(c)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so danger	ous or		
	injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation			
	(excluding clearance areas)	• •	• •	8
(d)	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to	under		
	the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects			
	reasonably fit for human habitation	• •	• •	51
(11)	Remedy of Defects During the Year without Service of Form	al Notic	es.	
Numb	er of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence action by the Local Authority or their Officers	of info	rmal	70
	action by the botal authority of their officers	••	• •	10
(111) Action Under Statutory Powers During the Year			
(a)	Public Health Acts:-			
, ,	1. Number of duction become in manage of this breaking		•	
	1. Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices served requiring defects to be remedied	were		15
			• •	- /
	 Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remediafter service of formal notices:- 	eđ		
	(a) by owners			15
	(b) by Local Authority in default of owners			-
(b)	Housing Act, 1957 - Sections 9, 10 and 12:-			
(5)				
	1. Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices			
	served requiring repairs	• •	• •	-
	2. Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit afte	r		
	service of formal notices:-			
	(a) by owners (b) by Local Authority in default of owners	• •		

7.1.1	Action under Statutory Fowers buring the Year, continued
c)	Housing Act, 1957 - Section 17:-
	1. Number of dwelling houses in respect of which
	Demolition Orders were made
	2. Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of
	Demolition Orders
	3. Number of dwelling houses in respect of which
	Closing Orders were made ·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
leara	nce Areas
	The following areas were represented by the Medical Officer of Health:-
	George Street No. 1 8 houses
	George Street No. 2 17 "
	George Street No. 3 3 "
	Upbury Way No. 1 8 "
	Church Street No. 2 3 "
	Church Street No. 3 10 "
	Beacon Road No. 1 9 "
	Beacon Road No. 2 6 "
	Beacon Road No. 3 8 "
	Number of Houses Demolished 33
	Local Authority Owned Houses
	Number Demolished
	Unfit Houses included in
	Unfitness Orders

Number Demolished 42

New Houses During 1962

(a)	Total number	of dwelling	houses	on plans	s submit	tted o	during	1962	436
(b)	Total number	of dwelling	houses	erected	during	1962	••		273
	(1) by Local	Authority					••	••	84
	(2) by other	Persons							189

Re-Housing of Council House Applicants

During the year, removals were undertaken by this Department. It was not found necessary to fumigate any of the household effects.

Rent Act, 1957

ı.	Number of applications for certificates		1
2.	Number of decisions not to issue certification	ites	-
3.	Number of decisions to issue certificates	• •	2
	(a) in respect of some but not all defe	ects	-
	(b) in respect of all defects		2
4.	Number of undertakings to remedy defects		
	given by landlords	• •	2
5.	Number of certificates issued		-
6.	Applications by landlords to Local Authori	.ty	
	for cancellation of certificates	• •	5
7.	Objections by tenants to cancellation of		
	certificates		3
8.	Certificates cancelled by Local Authority		2

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

The number of licensed slaughtermen on the register at the 31st December, 1962, was 16.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

Four shop premises were licensed for the sale of Pet Animals.

Rodent Control

263.

Visits by the Rodent Operator during 1962:-

Dwelling-houses	779
Business Premises	316
Farms	67
Corporation property	35

No.	of	rats	caught	in	dwelling houses	31
					business premises	35
11	11	11	11	11	at farms	10
11	11	11	11	11	on Corporation property	-

The number of complaints of infestations received from local residents was

There is no charge for this service.

The manholes of the foul sewers were test baited and treated during May and November, with the following results:-

May	No. of manholes test baited 10	0
	No. of manholes showing bait take 1	1
	No. of manholes treated 6	0
	No. of manholes showing poison take 3	5
November	No. of manholes treated 6	0
	No. of manholes showing poison take 2	5

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

During the year 137 samples of food and drugs were submitted for analysis as per the following table:-

	No. of	Samples	Resi	ılts of Anal	ysis
Description	Formal Informal		Adult	Genuine	
	- OTMAI	IIII OI Mai	Formal	Informal	Genaine
Apples · · · ·		2			2
Aspirin Tablets · · · ·		1			1
Biscuits · · · ·		2			2
Blackcurrant Vitamin C					
Drink		1			1
Butter		1			1
Buttered Ginger		1			1
Cake		2		1	1
Cheese		5			5
Cheese Crisps		1			1
Chicken and Mushroom					
in Sauce		1			1
Cinnamon Tablets		1			1
Coconut Meringue		1			1
Cream		1			1
Curry Powder		1		,	1
Dyspepsia Tablets		1			1
Easy Icing		1			1
Essence of Anchovies		1			1
Fish Cakes		1			1
Flour		2			2
Glace Cherries		1			1
Glycerine of Thymol		1			1
Glucose Tablets		1			1
Ground Nut Oil		1			1
Haddock Fillets		1			1
Hot Dogs in Gravy		1			1
Horseradish Relish		1			1
Ice Cream		2			2
Indigestion Mixture		1			1
Instant Apple Flakes		1			1
Instant Mashed Potato		1			1
Iodized Throat Tablets	1		1		
Carried forward	1	39	1	1	38

Descript1on		No. of Samples		Results of Analysis			
				Adult	Genuine		
		Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal		
Brought for	ward	1	39	1	1	38	
Jam			4			4	
Jelly			3			3	
Lard			2			2	
Lemon Curd			1			1	
Lemon Squash			1			1	
Lime Syrup			1			1	
Margarine			2			2	
Marzipan Almon	d Icing		1		1		
Meat Pudding			1			1	
Milk		27	22			49	
Milk Shake Syr	up		1			1	
Milk Powder			1			1	
Minced Turkey	in Jelly		1			1	
Nerve Tonic			1			1	
Oatmeal			1			1	
Orange Drink			1			1	
Pearl Barley			1			1	
Peas			2			2	
Pork Pie			1			1	
Potted Salmon	with Butter		1			1	
Salami			1			1	
Salmon			1			1	
Sandwich			1			1	
Sausages			4			4	
Stewed Steak			2		2		
Sweets			4			4	
Tapioca			1			1	
Tomato Ketchup			1			1	
Tonic Tablets			1			1	
Vegetable Oil			1			1	
Vermicelli			1			1	
Vinegar			1			1	
Whisky		1				1	
Yeast			1	1000		1	
TOTALS		29	108	1	14	132	
TOTADO			100	1	- T	1)2	
L		L			L	l	

ADULTERATED SAMPLES

The following are details of the adulterated samples shown in the tables on pages 30 and 31.

Tin of Casserole Stewed Steak: Contained 70 per cent meat. There is no standard laid down but a reasonable minimum is held to be 90 per cent. The manufacturers were asked to alter the labelling to accord to the contents.

Stewed Steak: Contained 78 per cent meat. Stewed steak would be expected to contain 95 per cent - "with gravy" 75 per cent meat. Words "with gravy" on label were inconspicuous. The manufacturers' attention was drawn to the labelling and they were asked to use a single size of printing in describing the contents.

<u>Iodized Throat Tablets</u>: This Formal Sample contained 0.3 per cent Phenol (claim 0.87 per cent). The matter was referred to the Pharmaceutical Society.

Cake: This was a sample of Butter Cherry Genoa Cake, which contained 7.2 per cent fat, including 1.6 per cent butter fat. It appeared that not more than one-third of the fat used was butter. The matter was referred to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Marzipan Almond Icing: Contained 0il 12.8, protein 5.0, corresponded with 22 per cent almonds. Slightly low. Reasonable minimum 25 per cent. The Public Analyst took the matter up with the manufacturers.

In addition to the above, the following items, which were brought to the department by members of the public, were dealt with as follows:-

(a) Legal proceedings were instituted in respect of the following complaints:-

	Items of Food	<u>Fine</u>			Costs			
		£	s	d		£	s	đ
1.	Cheese slice containing screw	60	0	0			-	
2.	Mould in tea buns	21	0	0		10	10	0
3.	Bread containing iron rust	5	0	0		3	3	0
4.	Sausages containing acid in	10	0	0		5	5	0
	terms of lactic acid to the							
	extent of 0.69 per cent							
5.	Mould on savouries	35	0	0		7	7	0
6.	Mould on bread	50	0	0		5	5	0
7.	Doughnut containing wood	5	5	0		2	2	0
8.	Mould in corned beef	5	0	0		2	2	0
9.	Staple in steak and kidney pie	25	0	0 .		5	5	0
10.	Milk containing piece of glass	20	0	.0		5	5	0

(b) Cases dismissed where legal proceedings had been instituted

Bread. The Company concerned pleaded not guilty and the case was dismissed by the magistrates but no costs were awarded against the Corporation.

(c) Legal proceedings withdrawn

Small sliced brown loaf.

(d) Complaints referred to other Authorities

- 1. Tin of corned beef
- 2. Bacon
- 3. Bread
- 4. Pork Pie

(e) Complaints dealt with informally

- 1. Tea
- 2. Bread (6)
- 3. Sausages
- 4. Sweets
- 5. Fruit Cake Mix
- 6. Soft Drinks (3)
- 7. Marmalade
- 8. Mushrooms
- 9. Doughnut
- 10. Cake
- 11. Strained off custard with rice
- 12. Steak and Kidney Pie
- 13. Bread Rolls (2)

Samples for Bacteriological Analysis. Public Health Laboratory, Preston Hall. British Legion Village, Maidstone.

The following samples were collected for analysis:-

WATER

34 water samples were found to be satisfactory.

MILK

157 samples of milk were taken with the following results:-

Class of Milk	Number of Samples	Appropriate Tests	No. of Samples			
Olass of Milk	Tested	Appropriate lests	Passed	Failed	Void	
Pasteurised	119	Phosphatase	119	-	-	
		Methylene Blue	104	14	1	
Sterilised	-	Turbidity	-	-	-	
Tuberculin Tested	51	Phosphatase	51	-	-	
(Pasteurised)		Methylene Blue	49	2	-	
Tuberculin Tested	11	Methylene Blue	10	-	1	

Raw Milk

One sample was submitted for biological examination. This was satisfactory.

The Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960

Licences for the period ending 31st December, 1965:-

Dealers!	(Sterilised)		116
Dealers!	(Pasteurised)		41
Dealers!	(Tuberculin Tested)		12
Dealers!	(Pasteuriser's)	• •	1

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959

No.	of Milk Distributors	• •	• •	115
No.	of Dairies (not being dairy fa	arms)		1

⁶³ Visits to the above Cairy were made during the year.

MEAT AND OTHER FOOD INSPECTIONS

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

				T		
	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number inspected	636	115	377	1,055	9,015	-
All Diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	1 4	9	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	103	43	3	29	1,685	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis & cysticerci	16.19	37.39	0.79	3.13	18.79	•
Tuberculosis Only Whole carcases condemned	-	-	4-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	88	•
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	0.16	-	-	1	0.98	-
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	4	-	•	·	•	<u>-</u>
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrig- eration	Ц.	-	•	-	-	: •
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	•

Eight Cysticercus Bovis carcases from outside the Borough were brought to one of the cold stores for refrigeration treatment.

Unsound Food Voluntarily Surrendered, 1962

The total amount of meat and other foods condemned was 7 tons 6 cwts. - qrs. 12 lbs.

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Total weight of meat condemned	1t	19	3	13
Total weight fish condemned	-	9	2	20
Total weight tinned and other				
foods condemned	1	16	2	7

All condemned meat is disposed of to a firm of by-products manufacturers.

Tinned foods are punctured and buried along with the household refuse.

Inspection of Meat and other Foods

The following table shows the number of carcases inspected since 1946:-

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total
1946	1920	1065	3326	5079	1429	12819
1947	1850	349	986	2709	684	5578
1948	443	54	-	5	322	824
1949	324	63	2	3	547	939
1950	369	28	-	2	584	- 983
1951	494	11	-	2	947	1454
1952	350	12	35	2662	2317	5376
1953	12	-	-	-	1857	1869
1954	378	90-	136	617	3728	4332
1955	597	329	336	1473	5090	7825
1956	629	256	467	1733	4458	7543
1957	664	168	316	1177	6611	8936
1958	579	64	219	925	8382	10169
1959	495	34	260	1325	5989	8103
1960	638	49	345	1251	6255	8538
1961	922	37	399	1466	8007	10831
1962	636	115	377	1055	9015	11198

There is one slaughterhouse in the Borough and one Knacker Yard, for which licences have been granted.

Food Premises

Bakehouses	• •	4	Greengrocers and			
Butchers! Shops		36	Fruiterers' Shops		• •	48
Butchers and Provisions Shop	s	6	Greengrocers and Fruiteren	rs		
Cafes and Restaurants	• •	34	(Wholesale)	• •		4
Canteens and Clubs	• •	22	Grocers' Shops			59
Caterers	• •	1	Grocers and Greengrocers	Shops	5 · ·	18
Chemists' Shops	• •	15	Hotels	••	• •	3
Cold Stores and Meat Importer	·s	4	Ice Cream Manufacturers	• •		3
Confectioners' Shops		18	Ice Cream Store (Bulk)	• •		1
Egg Retailers	• •	2	Millers		• •	1
Egg and Poultry Merchants			Off Licence Premises	• •		9
(Wholesale)	• •	1	Public Houses			75
Fish Shops (Wet)	• •	5	Self Service Stores			10
Fish Shops (Fried)	••	5	Snack Bars	• •	• •	1
Fish Shops (Wet and Fried)	• •	6	Sweets and Tobacco Shops	• •		45
General Shops		42	Stalls	• •		2
General and Greengrocers ! Sho	ps	35	Wines and Spirits			
			Merchants (Wholesale)	• •		3

Food and Drugs Act, 1955. Section 16.

Ice Cream

Three premises are registered for the manufacture of ice cream and two hundred and forty-seven for the sale and storage of ice cream.

Preserved Food

There are eight premises registered for the preparation or manufacture of sausages or preserved food.

Disinfestation and Disinfection

Rooms disinfested for vermin		• •	64
Bedding disinfested for vermin			2
Infectious diseases - bedding disinfec	eted		7
Infectious diseases - rooms disinfecte	ed		11
Wasps! Nets destroyed			1

Removal of Rubbish, etc.

During the year, 131 loads of rubbish, etc. were removed.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

There are no Rag Flock Manufacturing premises within the Borough but four premises where filling materials are utilised are registered. These premises are satisfactory.

Cesspool Work

The number of old houses connected to the Corporation Sewer during the year 1962 was 18. This means that some 15 leaking cesspools have been abolished.

688 complaints of choked drains and cesspool overflows were received, and it was found possible to clear 650 drains from obstruction. Overflowing cesspools made up the remainder of the complaints. The number of cesspools emptied was 38. The emptying of cesspools beyond the ends of the sewers is undertaken by a contractor.

Camping Sites

There are no Summer camping sites within the Borough.

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

One licence was issued.

Notices Served

During the year the following Notices were served:-

No. of Informal Notices	59
No. of Statutory Notices served due to 1962	•
Informal Notices not being complied with	18
No. of Statutory Notices served due to 1961	
Informal Notices not being complied with	5
Total No. of Statutory Notices served during	
the year	23
The following were completed:-	
No. of Informal Notices completed without a	
Statutory Notice having been served	53
No. of Statutory Notices completed	23
Total No. of Notices completed in year 1962	* 76

^{*} This figure includes notices completed during the year, but served prior to 1962.

Visits Made by the Public Health Inspectors During the Year

A							01.7
Atmospheric Pollution	••	••	••	• •	••	• •	243
Bakehouses	• •	••	••	••	••	••	135
Cesspool Emptying	• •	••	••	••	••	••	71
Clean Air Act, 1956	• •	••	••	••	••	••	975
Cold Store		• •	••	••	••	••	14
Contagious Diseases of Anim			••	••	••	• •	9
Council House Applicants	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	• •	52
Dairies	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	63
Drainage and Subsequent Vis	its	• •	••	••	••	• •	877
Drainage Tests (New)	• •	• •	••	••	• •	••	64
Drainage Tests (Old)	• •	• •	••	••	• •	• •	37
Factories (P)	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	105
Factories (NP)	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	••	101
Fish Fryers	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	14
Food and Drugs	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	364
Food Shops	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	419
Gypsy Encampment and Carava	ns	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	126
House Purchase and Improvem	ent Gra	ants	• •	• •	••	• •	87
Houses (1st Visits)	• •			• •			641
Houses (Subsequent Visits)		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	1,156
Housing Act (1st Visits)	• •		• •				324
Housing Act (Subsequent Vis	its)	• •			• •		525
Ice Cream Vendors							62
Infectious Diseases		• •				••	778
Knacker Yard							11
Milk (Special Designations)			• •				169
Noise Abatement Act, 1960	• •						9
Outworkers							131
Overcrowding			• •		••	• •	24
Pet Animals Act, 1951		• •	• •		••	••	9
Piggeries			• •	••	••		15
Public Health Act, 1936 - S			••	••		••	37
Public Conveniences	• •	••	••	••			21
Refuse Heaps and Accumulati		••	••	• •	••		339
Rent Act, 1957		••	••	••	••		24
Restaurants	••	••	• • •			• •	410
Riding Establishments Act,				• •	• •	••	
Defent Contract		••	• •	••	• •	• •	6 61
Cl 1.1 2.000	••	••	••	• •	••	• •	8
03	• •	••	••	• •	••	• •	
Much amount and a	• •	• •	••	••	• •	• •	605
Tuberculosis	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	5

Unsound Food	309
Verminous Premises	139
Water Samples	54
Welfare of Old People	7
Miscellaneous	1,369
Total Visits	11,004

Nuisances Abated after service of Notice	
Accumulations of Refuse removed	3
Ceilings repaired	2
Cesspools filled in and drains connected to foul sewers	5
Chimney Pots Replaced	1
Chimney stacks repaired	10
Dampness remedied	11
Doors or frames repaired	8
Doors Provided	1
Drains repaired	16
Firegrates, stoves and kitcheners repaired	4
Firegrates, stoves and kitcheners renewed	7
Floors repaired or renewed	9
Food Hygiene Regulations, 1960 - Contraventions Remedied	7
Gutters or downpipes cleared	3
Gutters or downpipes repaired or provided	29
Inspection covers provided	4
Inspection pits repaired or provided	3
Regulation Sanitary Dustbins Provided	9 *
Roofs repaired	56
Sinks renewed	1
Sink waste pipes repaired	1
Stair treads or steps repaired	2
Walls repaired (external)	12
Walls repaired (internal)	14
Windows repaired	27
W.C. pans renewed	6
W.C. seats or risers repaired	3
W.C. structures repaired or rebuilt	3
W.C. Supply pipes repaired	1
W.C. flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	10 .
W.C. flushpipes repaired or renewed	13
Yard Paving Repaired	2
Miscellaneous	10

^{*} Includes 2 provided in default.

APPENDIX "A"

FACTORIES ACTS, 1961

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises		Number	Number of			
		on Register	Inspections		Occupiers prosecuted	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
(1)	Factories in which Sections 1,2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	22	101	-	-	
(11)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	107	105	-	-	
(111)	Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	•	-	-	-	
	TOTAL	129	206	-	-	

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Number of cases in which defects were found					Number of		
Particulars			Refe	rred	Cases in which Prosecutions		
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	were instituted		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient (b) Unsuitable or	-	-	-	-	-		
defective	-	-	-	-	-		
(c) Inadequate Lighting (d) Not in a clean state	-	-	-	-	-		
(e) Not adequately screened	-	-	-	-			
TOTAL	•	-	-	•	-		

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(SECTIONS 110 and 111)

		Section 110		Section 111		
Nature of Work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwhole-some premises	Notices served	Prose- cutions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing Apparel - Making	115	-	-	-	-	-

APPENDIX "B"

At the request of the Ministry of Health (Circular 1/63 dated 30.1.63) the following information is recorded:-

WATER SUPPLY

- (i) The Medway Water Board is responsible for the supply of water to the whole area of the Borough, and the supply is satisfactory both for quality and quantity.
- (ii) The water is obtained from underground wells in the chalk and is piped to supply reservoirs for distribution. Reports of bacteriological examination by the Water Board Chemist are received every month on samples taken from the numerous underground wells prior to treatment, and also of water going into supply.

No samples were submitted for chemical analysis during 1962.

- (iii) Water is not liable to have plumbo-solvent action.
- (iv) Action taken in respect of any form of contamination.

None required.

- (v) Number of dwelling houses supplied from public water main:-
 - (a) Direct to Houses 15,133
 - (b) Standpipes 2

Number of population supplied from Public Water Main:-

- (a) Direct to Houses 49,499
- (b) Standpipes 5

SEWERAGE

Responsibility for this service lies with the Medway Joint Sewerage Board, and the arrangements for sewerage and sewage disposal in the Borough are reasonably adequate.

REGISTERED COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are none in the area of the Borough.

APPENDIX "C"

CONFERENCES ATTENDED BY STAFF

Conference	Place Held	Dates	Attended by
Central Council for Health Education (Parents and Children)	London	25th January, 1962.	Deputy Medical Officer of Health
Royal Society of Health (Health Congress)	Scarborough	9th - 13th April, 1962.	Medical Officer of Health and Chief Public Health Inspector
Association of Public Health Inspectors (Annual Conference)	Southport	11th - 14th September, 1962	Chief Public Health Inspector
Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene (Public Health Conference)	Eastbourne	10th - 12th October, 1962	Medical Officer of Health
National Society for Clean Air	Harrogate	10th - 12th October, 1962	Chief Public Health Inspector

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY STAFF

Organising				
Body	Subject	Place Held	Dates	Attended by
Royal Society	Slaughterhouses	London	31st January	Chief Public
of Health	and the 1958		1962	Health Inspector
	Legislation			
Royal Society	Oral Polio-	London	1st February	Medical Officer
of Health	Virus Vaccine;		1962	of Health and
	recent results			Deputy Medical
	and recommend-			Officer of
	ations for			Health
	optimum use			
Royal Society	Diphtheria	London	14th February	Deputy Medical
of Health	Control in the		1962	Officer of
	1960's			Health

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY STAFF, CONTINUED

Organising Body	Subject	Place Held	Dates	Attended by
Royal Society of Health	Houses in Multiple Occu- pation; the implementation of the Housing Act, 1961	London	15th March, 1962	Chief Public Health Inspector
National Society for Clean Air	Nuisances arising from emission of dust and efflu- via from factory and other premises	London	22nd March, 1962	Chief Public Health Inspector
Royal Society of Health	The Health and Welfare Service; The Ten Year Plan	London	5th July, 1962	Deputy Medical Officer of Health
National Society for Clean Air (South East Division)	Annual General Meeting	London	17th July,	Chief Public Health Inspector
Royal Society of Health	Dental Decay - Control by Fluoridation	London	15th October, 1962	Deputy Medical Officer of Health
Royal Society of Health	Health and Welfare in High Flats	London	14th November, 1962	Deputy Medical Officer of Health and Chief Public Health Inspector
Association of Public Health Inspectors	Multiple Occupation of dwellings	London	28th November, 1962	Deputy Medical Officer of Health and Mr. Moore
Royal Society of Health	Automatic Food Vending	London	12th December,	Chief Public Health Inspector

COURSES ATTENDED BY STAFF

Organising	Cub dook	Dloop Upld	Da 4	A44 3 . 3 . 5
Body	Subject	Place Held	Dates	Attended by
Central Council	Mental Health	London	20th - 23rd	Deputy Medical
for Health	and the Public		February, 1962	Officer of Health
Education				
(Seminar for				
Medical Officers				
of Health)				
Coal Utilisation	Approved Fixers	Medway	15th, 22nd, 29th	Mr. Gaffney and
Council	Scheme	College of	January, 5th	Mr. South
		Technology	and 12th	
			February, 1962	
Coal Utilisation	Approved Fixers	Medway	26th February,	Mr. Gibson and
Council	Scheme	College of	5th, 12th, 19th	Mr. Moore
		Technology	and 26th March,	
			1962	
Association of	Week-end	Clacton-on-	30th March - 1st	District Public
Public Health	School	Sea	April, 1962	Health Inspector
Inspectors	•			(Mr. Moore)

APPENDIX "D"

Public Health Legislation

Public Health Acts, 1875 - 1961 Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890 Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907 Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 - 1953 Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913 Rent and Mortgage Interest Restriction Acts, 1920 - 1930 Chatham Corporation Act, 1923 Housing (Financial Provisions) Acts, 1924 - 1958 Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Act, 1926 Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926 Slaughter of Animals Acts, 1933 and 1958 Diseases of Animals Acts, 1935 - 1950 Housing Acts, 1930 - 1961 Public Health (Drainage of Trade Premises) Act, 1937 Town and Country Planning Act, 1944 (Schedule V) National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1951 Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 Shops Act, 1950 Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1951 Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951 Pet Animals Act, 1951 Heating Appliances (Fireguards) Act, 1952 Slaughter of Animals (Pigs) Act, 1953 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act. 1953 Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954 Slaughterhouses Acts, 1954 - 1958 Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1954 Food and Drugs Act, 1955 Clean Air Act, 1956 Rent Act, 1957 Housing (Underground Rooms) Act, 1959 House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959 Noise Abatement Act, 1960 Oil Burners (Standards) Act, 1960 Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960 Licensing Act, 1961 Factories Act. 1961 Consumer Protection Act, 1961 Town and Country Planning Act, 1962



APPENDIX "E"

(A) PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES administered by the County Council under Part III National Health Service Act, 1946. The following information is given through the courtesy of the County Medical Officer, Kent County Council.

Clinics and Treatment Centres

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres are provided by the Kent County Council and the days and times of the various clinic sessions are as follows:-

Maternity and Child Welfare

ELM HOUSE, 15 NEW ROAD AVENUE, CHATHAM. (Telephone 41382)

Monday (Ante-Natal) *		• •	2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Monday (Midwives)	• •	• •	2.30 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Tuesday (Child Welfare)	• •	••	2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Wednesday (Ante-Natal)		• •	10 a.m 11 a.m.
11 11 11	• •		2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Wednesday (Midwives) *		• •	1.15 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.
Thursday (Midwives) *	• •	••	2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Friday (Child Welfare)			2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.

WHITE ROAD (Telephone 45767)

Monday (Child Welfare)	 2.0 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.
Tuesday, 2nd and 4th (Midwives)	 9.0 a.m 11.0 a.m.
Thursday (Child Welfare)	 2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.

KINGS ROAD (Telephone 44670)

Tuesday, 1st, 3rd, 5th (A)	nte-Natal)	9.30 a.m. = 11.30 a.m.
Tuesday (Child Welfare)	••	2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Thursday (Midwives)		2.0 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.

WALDERSLADE CLINIC

Friday	(Child Welfare)	••	••	2.0 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.

WAYFIELD CLINIC (Telephone 43487)

Monday (Child Welfare)	• •	• •	2.0 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.
Tuesday (Midwives) *		• •	1.30 p.m 5.0 p.m.
Thursday (Child Welfare)			2.0 p.m 4.0 p.m.
Friday (Midwives)			2.0 p.m. = 4.0 p.m.

DARGETS WOOD

Tuesday (Midwives)	• •	 2.0 p.m 3.30 p.m.
Thursday (Relaxation)		 3.0 p.m. = 4.30 p.m.

Clinics and Treatment Centres, continued

DARGETS WOOD (United Services Club)

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Wednesday 1st and 3rd .. . . 10.0 a.m. - 12 noon (Child Welfare)
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4 MANOR ROAD

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Wednesday (Midwives) ... 2.0 p.m. - 4.0 p.m. Friday (Relaxation) ... 2.30 p.m. - 4.0 p.m.
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Relaxation Classes are also held at the sessions marked *. Combined immunisation against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus and vaccination against smallpox and poliomyelitis are available at all child welfare clinics.

School Clinics

ELM HOUSE

Minor Ailments -

Tuesday (Doctor)	 	4.0 p.m.	- 5.0 p.m.
Friday (Doctor)	 • •	2.0 p.m.	- 4.0 p.m.
Dental (By annointment)			

WAYFIELD CLINIC

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Minor Ailments -
Friday, 2nd and 4th (Doctor) .. 9.0 a.m. - 10.0 a.m.
Dental (By appointment)
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"ELMSLEIGH", 118 MAIDSTONE ROAD (Telephone 42098)

Child Guidance, Ophthalmic, Speech (by appointment)

Domestic Help Service

Domestic Help Organiser, Elm House, 15 New Road Avenue, Chatham. (Telephone 42954)

This service is available for households where domestic help is required owing to the presence of any person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, or of mentally disordered or aged persons, or children not over compulsory school age. The service provided is limited to the performance of essential domestic help.

Family Care Service

This service is restricted to families of two or more children where

application has been made to the children's Committee for the children to be taken into care during the temporary absence of the mother, and the service is limited to an initial period of not more than three months. Information regarding this service can be obtained from the Domestic Help Organiser at Elm House, New Road Avenue. Chatham.

Night Attendant Service

Night attendant service is available for old people, but is limited to cases where the help required cannot be provided by voluntary agencies. The arrangements include evening service, preparation for sleep, provision for meals, attention to fires and night service. Application for this service should generally be made through the family doctor.

Further information is obtainable from the Domestic Help Organiser at Elm House, New Road Avenue, Chatham.

Family Welfare Service

The object of this scheme is to raise the standard of living of problem families, to improve the standard of child care, and to keep the family together and prevent its break-up. The service is provided as an extension of the Domestic Help Service.

Mental Health Service

Information regarding the service for the mentally disordered can be obtained from the District Officer, Gun Lane, Strood.

Training Centre for sub-normal and severely sub-normal persons living in the district is established at:-

Darnley Road, Strood

Hours of opening - ordinary school terms:

Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

A Home Teacher for mentally sub-normal persons is also available in the area.

All enquiries regarding the Training Centre and Home Teaching should be addressed to the County Medical Officer, County Hall, Maidstone.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the undermentioned District Office of the County Council:-

Mr. C. H. Hurdman, Gun Lane, Strood (Tel. Strood 79294 - 5)

Midwifery Service

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the undermentioned District Office of the County Council:-

Mr. C. H. Hurdman, Gun Lane, Strood (Tel. Strood 79294 - 5)

Ambulance Service, Star Mill Lane, Chatham. (Telephone Gillingham 52201)

(B) HOSPITAL SERVICES administered by South East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board under Part II National Health Service Act, 1946. The following information is given through the courtesy of the Secretary, Medway and Gravesend Hospital Management Committee, 20 Star Hill, Rochester. (Telephone 41616/8)

Chest Clinic

This clinic is situated at 13 New Road, Rochester, and the Chest Physician may be consulted by appointment (Telephone 42182).

Enquiries for appointments may be made during the following times:-

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 12 noon

Treatment Centre for Venereal Diseases

The centre is situated at 36 New Road, Rochester and is open on Monday (1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.) and Thursday (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) (Telephone 43343).

Hospitals providing services normally available to medical practitioners for residents of the Medway Towns Area:-

All Saints' Hospital, Magpie Hall Road, Chatham (Telephone 41212-5)

Medical, Surgical, Maternity, Gynaecology, E.N.T., Paediatric, Geriatric and Mental

Out-patient facilities are also available in the following specialties:
Dermatology, Physical Medicine and Consultant Dentistry

St. Bartholomew's Hospital, New Road, Rochester (Telephone 41511-4)

Medical, Surgical, Orthopaedic and Paediatric

Out-patient facilities are also available in the following specialties:

Dermatology, Neurology, Physical Medicine, Ophthalmology, Plastic
Surgery, Radiotheraphy, Consultant Dentistry and Psychiatry

- St. William's Hospital, St. William's Way, Rochester (Telephone 43243)

 Post Operative and Radiotherapy.
- Canada House Maternity Home, Barnsole Road, Gillingham (Telephone 51139)

 Maternity.
- Keycol Hospital, Keycol Hill, Sittingbourne (Telephone: Newington 222)

 Infectious Diseases, Chest Diseases and Geriatric
- Milton Regis Hospital, North Street, Milton Regis, Sittingbourne (Telephone 3168)

Geriatric (longer-stay) units

(C) LABORATORY SERVICES

The bacteriological examination of throat swabs, sputum, blood, milk, water or other suspected material is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Preston Hall, British Legion Village, Maidstone, under the direction of the Medical Research Council for the Ministry of Health.





